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Econoff delivered demarche (ref A) to the Chilean Ministry of Foreign Affairs General Directorate of International Economic Affairs (DIRECON), the trade ministry equivalent. Econoff conveyed the points and supporting demarche materials to Manuel Jose Prieto, Head of the North America Department, and Jeff Peet, U.S. Desk Officer. Despite delivery of an earlier demarche on this initiative in June (ref B), Prieto and Peet did not indicate that Chile had developed a position yet. They promised to distribute the materials to other departments as needed and report back to Econoff with any formal decision.